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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No.:	09/663,665	§	Examiner:	Zhen, Li B.
Filed:	September 15, 2000	§	Group/Art Unit:	2194
Inventors:		§	Atty. Dkt. No:	5181-47300
Gregory L. Slaughter, et al.		§		
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Title:	SECURE EXCHANGE OF	§		
	OBJECTS IN A	§		
	DISTRIBUTED	§		
	COMPUTING	§		
	ENVIRONMENT	§		
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 28, 2007**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of December 28, 2007, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.